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ADMINISTRATIVE

An informant advised in November, 1964, that [redacted]

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Informant advised in November, 1964, that ARGER [redacted]

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An informant advised in October, 1964, that a Chicago Policeman named [redacted] who is a close friend of LOUIE ARGER is Captain [redacted] in the 16th District.

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An informant advised in November, 1964, that the Crossroads Restaurant at 400 South State Street is [redacted]

the [redacted] LOUIE ARGER and that the arcade at 430 South State Street is rented through [redacted] of Barton Distillery Company, Bardstown, Kentucky.

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INFORMANTS

<u>Person Contacted</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Contacting Agent</u>
CG T-1 is [REDACTED] Investigator, Immigration and Naturalization Service	12/22/64	SA JOHN H. WILMES b7C per USCIS
CG T-2 is PCI [REDACTED]	11/10/64	SA JOHN H. WILMES
CG T-3 is [REDACTED]	11/6/64	SA JOSEPH G. SHEA b6 b7C
CG T-4 is [REDACTED]	11/10/64	SA PETROS A. KOTSOS b7D
CG T-5 is PCI [REDACTED]	10/27/64	SA [REDACTED]
CG T-6 is [REDACTED]	10/26/64	SA JOSEPH G. SHEA
[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]		

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Report of: SA JOHN H. WILMES Office: Chicago
Date: 1/19/65

Field Office File No.: 92-1039 Bureau File No.: 92-5794

Title: LOUIS ARGER

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

LOUIS ARGER resides at 6128 North Keating, Chicago, Illinois. ARGER has no health problem since heart attack in 1964. Motorboat used by ARGER purchased for \$4,500 by [redacted] through Rodi Boat Sales, Chicago. No further activity regarding citizenship status hearing for ARGER. Subject reportedly travelled to Las Vegas, Nevada, in November, 1964. No record of employment of MAX GROSS at Star and Garter. Automobile at ARGER's residence 12/10/64 registered to [redacted] Chicago Police Department detective. Former stripper at Holiday Lounge advised ARGER is actual owner of Holiday Lounge.

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DETAILS:

I. BACKGROUND

Residence

On December 23, 1964, subject was observed to maintain his residence at 6128 North Keating, Chicago, Illinois.

Status of Health

The subject appears to be in good health and there has been no report of any illness since he recovered from a myocareial infarction in April, 1964.

Motorboat Used by Subject

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[redacted], advised he is the [redacted] b6
 of Rodi Boat Sales located at 2500 South Ashland Avenue b7C
 in Chicago, Illinois. He furnished the following information
 in May, 1964:

[redacted] contacted [redacted] regarding b6
 the purchase of an inboard motor boat from Miller Yacht b7C
 Sales in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. [redacted]
 a boat company in Fort Lauderdale and was previously
 acquainted with [redacted] in Chicago. [redacted] as described
 as a gambler from the Chicago area. [redacted]

The boat, a Shepard 26 foot "glorified speedboat",
 was up for sale by Miller and the asking price was \$6,000.
 [redacted] purchased the boat for \$4,500 and in the opinion
 of [redacted] it was actually worth less than \$3,000.

[redacted] gave [redacted] \$4,500 in cash which was carried
 by him to Florida for purchase of the boat. [redacted]
 did not receive a commission on the sale of the boat and
 as far as he knows [redacted], did not receive a commission
 either. The boat was trucked from Florida to Lake Michigan
 by [redacted]. He had asked \$600 for this service but only
 received \$350 for it.

[redacted] furnished copies of Miller Boat Sales invoice b6
 regarding sale of the boat and also a letter received by his b7C
 firm from Miller Yacht Sales which are being maintained in
 the Chicago Office file.

On 10/30/64 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG
 by SA [redacted] and Date dictated 11/4/64
SA JOHN H. WILMES/pam

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Citizenship Status

CG T-1 advised in December, 1964, that no decision has been received from the Attorney General's Office regarding proceedings against LOUIS ARGER for revocation of citizenship.

Travel

CG T-2 advised in November, 1964, that LOUIS ARGER departed in early November for Las Vegas, Nevada, and also planned to visit Los Angeles, California.

The Las Vegas Office advised by communication dated November 24, 1964, that extensive checks were made of various parking lot areas and downtown hotels and casinos regarding LOUIS ARGER during both a daytime and a nighttime with negative results.

Arrest Record

On October 30, 1964, IC [redacted] b6
determined through the records of the Chicago Police b7C
Department that on February 28, 1964, before Judge JONES,
LOUIS ARGER, CB Number 1452592, on a charge of being an
inmate in a house of prostitution on February 6, 1964,
was given "leave to file denied". This disposition is listed
in Chicago Police Department files in the arrest record of
LOUIS ARGERO, date of birth July 4, 1907, Identification
Record Number 37922.

II. ASSOCIATES

On October 30, 1964 [redacted]

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[redacted]
advised that her records indicate MAX GROSS is a tenant
in Oglesby Towers located at 6700 South Oglesby in Chicago. I --
GROSS is listed in her records as a liquor salesman for
the Union Liquor Company, 3247 South Kedzie in Chicago at

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a salary of \$12,000.00 a year. He is married and lives with his wife and son. He has rented at Oglesby Towers since October 1, 1963, and previously lived at 2640 Cornell where he owned his residence. There is no indication in her files of any employment of GROSS by LOUIS ARGER or of employment at the Star and Garter on South State Street in Chicago.

[redacted] a Chicago Police Department detective, has previously been reported by informants to be very close to LOUIS ARGER. Informants have also advised that [redacted] spent some time on ARGERS boat during the summer of 1964.

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[redacted] Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on November 2, 1964, that 1964 Illinois license [redacted] was issued February 10, 1964, to [redacted] for a 1963 Ford Galaxie 500 XL Sport hard top, VIN [redacted] and 1964 Illinois license [redacted] was issued February 10, 1964, to [redacted] same address for homemade boat trailer, VIN [redacted]

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[redacted] also advised that 1964 Illinois license [redacted] was issued February 10, 1964, to [redacted] for a 1962 Buick, four-door, hard top, VIN [redacted]

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On December 10, 1964, a 1962 white Buick with 1964 Illinois license [redacted] was observed parked in front of ARGERS residence at 6128 North Keating. This automobile remained at ARGERS residence from 2:45 p.m. until 3:50 p.m. on that date.

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On December 18, 1964, SAs PETROS A. KOTSOS and [redacted] observed a silver Thunderbird with Illinois license number [redacted] (1965) parked in front of the Crossroads Restaurant at 400 South State Street in Chicago. Directly behind this car was ARGERS 1964 Pontiac with Illinois

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license [redacted]. The Thunderbird had a Chicago Police Department card on the dashboard, and also had a sticker for the "American Power Boat Association", number [redacted]. When this individual approached his car, he was contacted by the agents and identified himself as [redacted] of the Chicago Police Department Bomb and Arson Squad. He stated that he is acquainted with LOUIS ARGÉR and that he was not on official business at the time.

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III. ACTIVITIES

CG T-3 advised in November, 1964, that LOUIS ARGÉR, owner of the Chez Dot and Holiday Lounge, both strip shows, has stated that if he does not get back his license to operate the Chez Dot, he will attempt to open it as an arcade. ARGÉR also plans to open the former Crossroads Restaurant and the arcade located next door to it as burlesque shows.

CG T-4 advised in November, 1964, that ARGÉR is not seen in the South State Street and South Wabash area since the closing down of many of the strip shows in that area. ARGÉR has a "flunkie" named [redacted] who has recently been observed as a [redacted] at the 606 Club on South Wabash and at the Club Rouge.

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On November 9, 1964, [redacted] was contacted near her residence, [redacted] by SA [redacted] and the writer. She furnished the following information:

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She resides at the above address with her husband and two children, residence telephone [redacted] and is employed as a [redacted] located in the Furniture Mart.. She is originally from [redacted] and several years ago, she became a [redacted] in a

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